



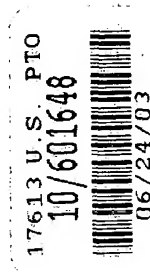
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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Re: Continuation Application of Serial No.: 09/425,886
Application of Pranav ASHAR and Aarti GUPTA
FAST ERROR DIAGNOSIS FOR COMBINATIONAL VERIFICATION
Assignee: **NEC CORPORATION**
Our Ref: A8612

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/425,886 (Confirmation No. 1149) filed October 25, 1999 of Pranav ASHAR and Aarti GUPTA entitled FAST ERROR DIAGNOSIS FOR COMBINATIONAL VERIFICATION, which claims benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/142,537 filed July 7, 1999.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 3 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is a copy of the Assignment, an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2133.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>1</u> - 20	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=	<u> </u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								\$750.00

TOTAL FILING FEE **\$750.00**

A check for the statutory fee of \$750.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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The application is timely filed.

A petition and payment for an extension of time are being filed concurrently in the parent Application No. 09/425,886.

Respectfully submitted,

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